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Dear Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

We, the undersigned, are familiar with the subject matter claimed in U.S. patent application serial no. 09/727,282, and with the subject matter described in U.S. patent application serial no. 09/454,988 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,479,298).

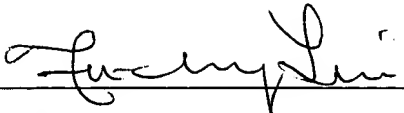
We, the undersigned, unequivocally state that we are the inventors of the portion of the subject matter described in U.S. Patent No. 6,479,298 which is present in the claims of serial no. 09/727,282.

All statements made herein based on our own knowledge are true, and statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. We understand that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment (18 U.S.C. § 1001), and may jeopardize the validity of the present application and any patents issuing from the present application.

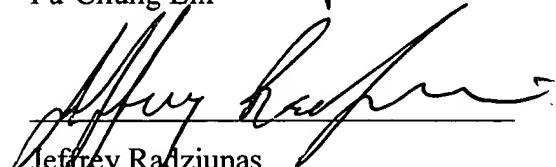
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